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THIRD STATUS INQUIRY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20203

Sir:

Applicant, by and through its attorneys of record, respectfully requested a report as to the status of the above-noted application in a "*Status Inquiry*" mailed on August 28, 2002, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and in a "*Second Status Inquiry*" mailed on November 19, 2002, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B. As of the date of this "*Third Status Inquiry*", Applicant has yet to receive the requested report as to the status of the above-noted application. Thus, Applicant again, by and through its attorneys, respectfully requests a report as to the status of the above-noted application.

On February 19, 2002, Applicant filed a Petition for Retroactive License (37 CFR §5.25), including the appropriate fee of \$130.00. In response thereto, the United States Patent and Trademark Office mailed a Communication to Applicant denying the Petition, but suggested that a verified statement from the German person or persons who actually had

knowledge and filed the application in Germany be obtained. On May 28, 2002, Applicant filed a Supplement To Petition For Retroactive License (37 CFR §5.25) Filed on February 19, 2002, which included the Declaration of Jürgen Klinghardt, as suggested by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and requested that the petition for license for foreign filing be granted retroactively to December 27, 2001.

As of the date of this letter, no response or grant to the Supplement To Petition has been received in this matter. The purpose of this letter is to insure that the Supplement To Petition has not become misdirected in the mail and, if no response or grant has been forwarded, Applicant requests an estimate as to when it might expect same.

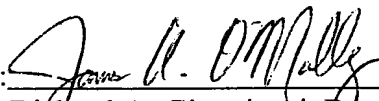
Applicant notes that the United States Patent and Trademark Office also issued a Corrected Filing Receipt on August 23, 2002 which changed the filing date from the originally listed February 13, 2002 to the actual filing date of November 13, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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